



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Haiming Wang et al.  
Title: System for Analyzing Surface Characteristics with Self-calibrating Capability  
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San Francisco, California  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This will respond to the Office Action mailed on July 16, 2003, setting a period for response expiring on October 16, 2003. Attached is a request for extension of time to extend the response period to expire on November 17, 2003; November 16, 2003 being a Sunday.

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